



COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES
DEPARTMENT OF PARKS AND RECREATION

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The Honorable Board of Supervisors
County of Los Angeles
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Dear Supervisors:

ADOPTED

BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES

25 December 9, 2014


PATRICK OGAWA
ACTING EXECUTIVE OFFICER

**ADOPT A RESOLUTION
AUTHORIZING SUBMISSION OF A GRANT APPLICATION AND
ACCEPTANCE OF GRANT FUNDS FOR A QUAGGA AND ZEBRA MUSSEL
PREVENTION PROGRAM AT PUDDINGSTONE RESERVOIR
FROM THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA GRANT PROGRAM
(SUPERVISORIAL DISTRICT 5) (3 VOTES)**

SUBJECT

Request to adopt a resolution authorizing the submission of a competitive grant application to the State of California Department of Parks and Recreation under the Division of Boating and Waterways Quagga and Zebra Mussel Infestation Prevention Grant Program.

IT IS RECOMMENDED THAT THE BOARD:

1. Find the proposed Vessel Inspection, Certification, and Education Program at Puddingstone Reservoir located at Frank G. Bonelli Regional Park categorically exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act for the reasons stated herein and reasons reflected in the record of the project.
2. Adopt a resolution to complete the submission process of a competitive grant application to the State of California Department of Parks and Recreation in the amount of \$200,000 for the Vessel Inspection, Certification, and Education Program under the Division of Boating and Waterways Quagga and Zebra Mussel Infestation Prevention Grant Program. The total estimated project cost is \$229,000.
3. Delegate the authority to the Director of the Department of Parks and Recreation, or his designee, as agent of the County of Los Angeles, to accept the grants, conduct all negotiations, and execute

and submit all documents, including, but not limited to, applications, contracts, agreements, deed restrictions, amendments, and payment requests, which may be necessary for the completion of the project.

PURPOSE/JUSTIFICATION OF RECOMMENDED ACTION

The purpose of the recommended actions is to complete the grant submission process as required by the State of California Department of Parks and Recreation (State). The State has specific guidelines for grant programs and requires an adopted resolution to approve the project from the applicant's governing Board.

The proposed project is the Vessel Inspection, Certification, and Education Program (VICE Program) at Puddingstone Reservoir at the Frank G. Bonelli Regional Park located at 120 Via Verde Drive in San Dimas. The VICE Program, which is a comprehensive quagga and zebra (QZ) mussel prevention plan, focuses on preventing QZ mussel infestation through the following methods: 1) conducting a study to assess the reservoir's vulnerability to QZ mussels; 2) disseminating information to educate the public on the negative effects of QZ mussels in freshwater lakes and how the public can help prevent QZ mussel infestations; 3) monitoring the water quality regularly; and 4) inspecting and certifying recreational water vessels prior to launch.

Implementation of Strategic Plan Goals

The proposed recommendations further the Board-approved County Strategic Plan Goal of Operational Effectiveness/Fiscal Sustainability (Goal 1) by maximizing the effectiveness of processes, structure, operations, and strong fiscal management to support timely delivery of customer-oriented and efficient public services.

FISCAL IMPACT/FINANCING

The total project cost for the VICE Program is \$229,000. The grant request is \$200,000. The Department of Parks and Recreation (Department) will provide in-kind labor in the amount of \$29,000.

OPERATING BUDGET IMPACT

The recommended actions allow the Department to propose an invasive mussel prevention program for grant funding. Additional operating costs may materialize from the program provisions, but will be dependent on the approval, award, and final provisions of the grant. The Department will re-evaluate the program and identify any additional costs upon acceptance of grant funds.

FACTS AND PROVISIONS/LEGAL REQUIREMENTS

The resolution is to authorize the submission of a grant application to the State for the Division of Boating and Waterways Quagga and Zebra Mussel Infestation Prevention Grant Program.

An adopted resolution is required to establish the governing Board's intent to apply for and accept the State provisions in the grant guidelines. A draft resolution is acceptable and was submitted with the grant application. The resolution will complete the grant submission process.

County Counsel has reviewed this letter and approved the resolution as to form.

ENVIRONMENTAL DOCUMENTATION

The proposed project is categorically exempt from California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) according to Sections 15308 and 15309 of the State CEQA Guidelines, and Classes 8 and 9 of the County's Environmental Document Reporting Procedures and Guidelines, Appendix G, because it is considered an action to protect or enhance the environment, and consists of activities limited to checking for performance of an operation, or quality, health, or safety of a project.

IMPACT ON CURRENT SERVICES (OR PROJECTS)

The proposed actions will not have any impact on current services or projects.

CONCLUSION

It is requested that one adopted copy of this action and resolution be forwarded to the Department of Parks and Recreation.

Should you have any questions, please contact Imee Perius at (213) 738-2972 or iperius@parks.lacounty.gov, Faith Parducho at (213) 738-2811 or fparducho@parks.lacounty.gov, Kasey Dizon at (213) 738-2844 or kdizon@parks.lacounty.gov, or Kaye Michelson at (213) 738-2955 or kmichelson@parks.lacounty.gov.

Respectfully submitted,



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Director

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Enclosures

c: Acting Chief Executive Officer
County Counsel
Executive Officer, Board of Supervisors

**RESOLUTION OF THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES
BOARD OF SUPERVISORS FOR THE
QUAGGA AND ZEBRA MUSSEL INFESTATION PREVENTION
GRANT PROGRAM FROM THE
DIVISION OF BOATING AND WATERWAYS**

WHEREAS, prior to the State of California Parks and Recreation, Division of Boating and Waterways approving an Application and executing a Funding Agreement, said County of Los Angeles Board of Supervisors (COUNTY BOS) is required to pass a resolution, authorizing designated representative(s) to execute said application, funding Agreement, amendments, and certifications, designating representatives to approve claims for reimbursement, designating representatives to sign the Funding Request and Project Status, designating representatives to sign Project Completion Certification, and designating representatives to sign the Contractor's Release Form; and

WHEREAS, the COUNTY BOS is delegating authority to the County of Los Angeles Department of Parks and Recreation (COUNTY DPR) to construct, operate, and maintain the Puddingstone Reservoir at Frank G. Bonelli Regional Park; and make an application to the State of California Parks and Recreation, Division of Boating and Waterways for grant funding in the amount of \$200,000 under the Harbors and Watercraft Revolving Fund for the Quagga and Zebra Mussel Infestation Prevention Grant Program; and

WHEREAS, the COUNTY DPR desires to enhance, modify, or rebuild the Puddingstone Reservoir to implement a plan for the prevention of an infestation of the quagga and zebra mussel; and

WHEREAS, by the COUTNY DPR accepted application, a project budget totaling \$229,000 will be adopted; and

WHEREAS, by the COUNTY DPR, pursuant and subject to all of the terms and provisions of the Harbors and Watercraft Revolving Fund program, application be made to the State of California Parks and Recreation, Division of Boating and Waterways for funding.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Director, or his designee, of said COUNTY DPR is hereby authorized and directed to cause the necessary data to be prepared and application to be signed and filed with the State of California Parks and Recreation, Division of Boating and Waterways; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Chief Deputy, Special Assistant or Administrative Deputy are hereby authorized to sign the State of California Parks and Recreation, Division of Boating and Waterways, Harbors and Watercraft Revolving Fund program Funding Agreement and any amendments thereto; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Chief Deputy, Special Assistant or Administrative Deputy are hereby authorized to approve Claims for Reimbursement under the State of California Parks and Recreation, Division of Boating and Waterways, Harbors and Watercraft Revolving Fund program; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Chief Deputy, Special Assistant or Administrative Deputy are hereby authorized to execute the Budget and Expenditure Summary for the State of California Parks and Recreation, Division of Boating and Waterways, Harbors and Watercraft Revolving Fund program; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Chief Deputy, Special Assistant or Administrative Deputy are hereby authorized to sign the Contractor's Release Form for the State of California Parks and Recreation, Division of Boating and Waterways, Harbors and Watercraft Revolving Fund project; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Chief Deputy, Special Assistant or Administrative Deputy are hereby authorized to certify that the project is complete and ready for final inspection.

The foregoing resolution was adopted on the 9th day of December, 2014, by the Board of Supervisors of the County of Los Angeles and ex officio the governing body of all other special assessment and taxing districts, agencies and authorities for which said Board so acts.

PATRICK OGAWA, Acting Executive Officer
Clerk of the Board of Supervisors
County of Los Angeles

By Carla Little
Deputy



APPROVED AS TO FORM:

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